

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-15, and 17-33 are pending. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-9, 14, 15, 17, 18, and 26-28 have been amended, claims 6 and 16 have been canceled, and new claims 32 and 33 have been added to recite additional features of the embodiments disclosed in the specification. Applicants submit that entry of this paper is proper because it involves merely incorporating allowable subject matter into independent claims or re-writing allowable dependent claims into independent form, and adds two claims with allowable subject matter in place of canceled claims 6 and 16. Accordingly, no new issues requiring further searching or consideration have been presented.

In the Final Office Action, claims 4-13 and 16-25 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten into independent form to recite the features of their base and intervening claims. Claims 4, 5, 17, and 18 have been rewritten in this manner and have also been amended to clarify language that may have been unclear as a result of translation into the English language.

For example, claim 4 has been amended to recite that the voice and packet data are simultaneously transmitted and received using “at least one” RLP frame. Claim 5 has also been amended to recite “at least one” RLP frame and designating a voice RLP frame type using “one or more bit combinations” not designated in a control field of a data RLP frame, in order to transmit and receive the voice and packet data “using the at least one RLP frame.” Claims 17 and 18 have been amended in a similar manner.

Applicants submit that claims 4, 5, 17, 18, and their dependent claims remain allowable in view of these clarifying amendments.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite the subject matter of allowable claim 4, and claim 14 has been amended to recite the subject matter of allowable claim 16. Applicants submit that these amendments are sufficient to place claims 1, 14, and their dependent claims into condition for allowance.

Claim 26 was amended to recite features similar to those which patentably distinguish claim 1 from the cited references. Based on these amendments, it is respectfully submitted that claim 26 and its dependent claims are allowable.

To overcome the § 112, second paragraph, rejection, claims 27 and 28 were amended to delete reference to the “upper layer.”

New claims 32 and 33 recite features taken from allowable claim 4. Applicants submit that these claims are also allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejections in the Final Office Action and furtherance of the application to allowance is respectfully requested.

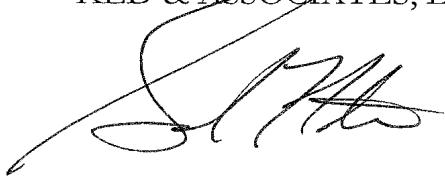
To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this,

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concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and
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